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In re Application of:)
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For: METHOD AND SOFTWARE FOR) Confirmation No.: 6160
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BUSINESS APPLICATIONS)

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Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the listed documents on the attached PTO SB/08 Form. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination in the above-referenced application.

The following U.S. published applications are related to the commonly assigned, U.S. applications, listed in the second paragraph of the specification as follows:

<i>U.S. Application No.</i>	<i>U.S. Patent Publication No.</i>
10/721,898	US 2004/0153480
10/721,426	US 2004/0148447
10/721,869	US 2004/0148587

The applications are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 Form according to their respective U.S. patent publication numbers.

Applicants also list the Patent Cooperation Treaty ("PCT") International Search Report ("ISR") PCT/EP03/13158 that is related to other PCT ISRs already cited in this application. A copy of this PCT ISR is enclosed. All references identified on the enclosed PCT ISR have been cited in prior IDS statements filed in this application.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they have been considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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